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Please see attached Request for Continued Examination, Amendment, and Information Disclosure Statement in response to the Examiner's Office Action of August 4, 2004 for U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/043,077.

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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>		Application Number <u>10/043,077</u>
Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		Filing Date <u>January 9, 2002</u>
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.14 when the RCE is filed)

a.  Checks in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

b.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge or credit any discrepancies in fee amounts to Deposit Acct. No. 01-0484.

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed).

i.  \$395.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.137 and 1.17)

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Respectfully Submitted,

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